

C 2650 D 2150 B C

Egypt

Royal Afterlife

Deified, and thus immortalized,
a king had needs in death
similar to those in life.

His tomb became his bodily
home, and food, drink, and
possessions were left there for
him. Preserved for eternity with
its feathers intact, his mummy
was the receptacle for his spirit.

providing him with a recognizable
access to worldly sustenance.

2650BC

Great Pyramid of GIZEH : KHUFU

C 2650 BC

c. 2750 BC step pyramid

IMHOTEP

Egypt

though neither king nor priest,
IMHOTEP's many talents have
immortalized his name. Adviser
to King Djosser; architect
of the Step Pyramid at Saqqara
and reputed author of literary
and medical texts, he was
revered by later Egyptians as
a god of wisdom.

2650BC → c2150BC

Very Creative Egypt's 1st Golden Age
Rise of the Pyramids
Birth of the Sphinx
Creation of timeless statuary
unparalleled to this day for its
massive simplicity, grace, and
elegance.

KHUFU (CHEOPS) codified structure of
Egyptian Society. Canons regulating art
were formulated in this period.

remained relatively constant for next 200 yrs
already highly organized agricultural society,
System of canals & dykes, and water and
land management.

Efficient bureaucracy whose tax collection
funded the building of the pyramids
KUTUCCI's c 500 ft hi covering 13 acres - longest

2650 BC

(Archaeology) Egypt

First Egyptian pyramid
(stepped Pyramid of Zoser)
built at Saggara.

2650 BC - 2150 BC

Sixth Dynasty by Metropolitan Museum
2700 BC - 2200 BC by the Louvre

Artwork ± 300 yrs.

ANKH the hieroglyphic cruciform symbol
of life

CARTOUCHE: Oblong enclosure originally
containing the names of pharaohs.

2650 BC

Pyramid of H HUFU

Aldest and largest of the Pyramids at Gizeh, Egypt. Built 2650 BC out of stone, 2,300,000 blocks of stone, each averaging more than 2 tons in weight.

1912 Dates J-BK

c 2650 BC

Egypt

USERTESEN III built pyramids
and made a Canal on the Nile
Died in his expedition against
Ethiopia.

A hymn to USER TESEN III
was found at KAHOU on a papyrus

c 2650 BC

MESOPOTAMIA

I Ur Dynasty Period : An era of struggle for power between the cities of LAGASH and UR.

LUGAL ZAGGISI tries to establish a Sumerian Kingdom united to the Uruk capital : but his efforts fail

2650 BC

The Prince's Walls were built to prevent Asiatics forcing their way into Egypt: they want water ... to give to their cattle & horses, the children of Israel were to pass this wall many times (located about where Suez Canal now is) : Abraham must have been the first of them to see it when he emigrated to the land of the Nile during a famine.

2650 BC

Pharaoh SNEFRU became
King

Father of KHUFU

Founded Pyramids

Ca 2650-2500°C

Fault Depress

C 2650 BC

marked a 4 ft. { Compos.
Great Pyramid of Cheops
(the Great Cheops)

This is oldest & largest of the 3
Almost a solid mass of limestone
massive, limestone was scattered in
the eastern Nile cliffs and floated
across the river during the seasonal
floods. After the masses fossilized calcium
and the stones they marked them with

red brick to indicate the place of each in
the structure. Then great gangs of laborers
dragged them (whether or not yet known)
up temporary ramps and laid them
course upon course. Finally the
pyramid was surfaced with a covering
of pearly white limestone cut with
such nicety that the eye could scarcely
detect the joints. 775 ft. L x 600 ft. W - Area = 13 Acre
Hgt = 450 ft (regularly 480 ft) 2,300,000 blocks
72 tons ea 2 1/2 Tons in weight

2650 BC

Pyramid of Khufu
(or Cheops) oldest and
largest of the Pyramids of
Gizeh, Egypt built
out of 2,300,000 blocks
of stone each averaging
more than two tons
in weight

2650 BC

SILK

DISCOVERED in 2650 BC silk
is produced when the silkworm
attaches itself to branches, sticks
or straw and spins a silk cocoon.
Each of these cocoons yields 1,000
to 3,000 feet of silk fiber.